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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

15 Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.56, Applicants respectfully request that citation and examination of the following documents be made during the course of examination of the above-referenced PCT  
20 application for United States Letters Patent.

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Reference AA - United States Patent No. 5,472,453.

Reference AB - United States Patent No. 5,370,667

Reference AC - United States Patent No. 5,040,535

Reference AL - European Application 0 845 240

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**EXPLANATION OF RELEVANCE**

References AA and AL were identified and discussed in the present specification, and Applicants stand by the statements in the specification concerning the teachings of those references.

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Reference AL was also cited during earlier examination of the present PCT application, together with References AB and AC.

Copies of each of the above references together with Form 1449 are submitted herewith.

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This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed with the present PCT application, and is therefore in compliance with 37 CFR §1.97(b)(1), and no fee is necessary.

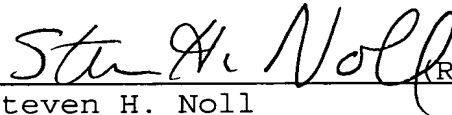
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All claims of the application are submitted to be patentable over the teachings of the above references,

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taken singly or in combination. Early consideration of  
the application is therefore respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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